# Possible Side Effects of Metformin (Table Version Date: May 26, 2023)

| **COMMON, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Metformin, more than 20 and up to 100 may have: |
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| * Diarrhea, nausea, vomiting
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| **OCCASIONAL, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Metformin, from 4 to 20 may have: |
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| * Pain in chest
* Abnormal heartbeat which may cause fainting
* Shortness of breath
* Pain in belly
* Constipation
* Heartburn, passing gas
* Change in taste
* Pain in muscles
* Dizziness
* Headache
* Tiredness
* Rash, flushing, change in nails, increased sweating
* Vitamin B12 deficiency
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| **RARE, AND SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Metformin, 3 or fewer may have: |
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| * Lactic acid built up which may cause tiredness, sleepiness, muscle aches, shortness of breath, or severe belly pain
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